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Gentlemen:

I am at present engaged in the research and writing of a new history of the Yellowstone National Park and environs, and I have run into the problem of names -- specifically, the correct names and boundaries of the following mountains:

1. The Beartooth Mountains: just what geographical area does this range embrace? Do you know the origin of the name?
2. The Snow, or Snowy Mountains, often listed as being northwest of the Beartooth, and at other times included as a part of the Beartooth. Do you consider this a valid term, or do you include the Snowy Mountains with the Beartooth?
3. The Absaroka: where does this range begin in the north, and where does it end in the south?

I am trying to be accurate in all that I say, and I assume that your word for it will make my use of a geographical name for a specified place both official and correct.

Your cooperation will be most appreciated.

Cordially,

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